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- 1. (Amended) A method of curling and/or thickening keratin fibers comprising applying to said keratin fibers an effective amount for said curling and/or thickening of a mascara composition comprising:
- (i) a wax-in-water emulsion of at least one wax having a needle penetration ranging from 1 to 7.5 and a melting point ranging from 70°C to 110°C, wherein said at least one wax is present in an amount of greater than 9% by weight relative to the total weight of said composition, and further wherein said at least one wax is in the form of particles greater than or equal to at least 1 µm in size and
- (ii) at least 0.1% by weight, relative to the total weight of said composition, of a polymer system containing at least one film-forming polymer, wherein said polymer system is capable of forming a film which produces, at a concentration of 7% in water, a greater than 1% retraction of isolated stratum corneum at 30°C and under a relative humidity of 40%.
- 4. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein said at least one wax is selected from rice bran wax, carnauba wax, candelilla wax, montan waxes, sugar cane waxes, and polyethylene waxes.
- 5. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, where at least one wax having said needle penetration has a melting point of at least 77°C and less than 83 °C.
- 6. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein said at least one wax is a rice bran wax.
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- 14. (Amended) A method according to claim 12, wherein said at least one wax having a melting point ranging from 70°C to less than 77°C is present in an amount ranging from 5% to 20% by weight relative to the total weight of said waxes.

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27. (Amended) A method according to claim 25, wherein the weight ratio of said at least one wax a having a needle penetration ranging from 1 to 7.5 to said at least one wax having a needle penetration of greater than 7.5 ranges from 2:1 to 5:1, wherein said at least one wax having a needle penetration ranging from 1 to 7.5 has a melting point ranging from 77 °C to 110 °C.

- 59. (New) A method of curling and/or thickening keratin fibers comprising applying to said keratin fibers an effective amount for said curling and/or thickening of a mascara composition comprising:
- (i) a wax-in-water emulsion of at least one wax having a needle penetration ranging from 1 to 7.5 and a melting point ranging from 70°C to 110°C, wherein said at least one wax is present in an amount of at least 9% by weight relative to the total weight of said composition, and further wherein said at least one wax is in the form of particles greater than or equal to at least 1 µm in size and
- (ii) at least 0.1% by weight, relative to the total weight of said composition, of a polymer system containing at least one film-forming polymer, wherein said polymer system is capable of forming a film which produces, at a concentration of 7% in water, a greater than 1% retraction of isolated stratum corneum at 30°C and under a relative humidity of 40%,

wherein said at least one wax comprises a rice bran wax and a polyethylene

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